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Dear Interested Party:

Thank you for your interest and involvement in the Lower Joseph Creek Restoration project. We are pleased to announce the completion of the final Record of Decision (ROD) authorizing implementation of the project. For your convenience, the final ROD is attached to this letter. I have also included an Errata containing corrections to minor errors we found in the Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS). These documents, along with the FEIS and other documents related to the analysis, are also available on project website at: <https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=43379>.

The pre-decisional administrative review process pursuant to 36 CFR 218, was followed for the project. The Forest Service received ten objections during the 45-day objection filing period that ended on August 29, 2016. The objection letters may be viewed at the project website by following the link to the Public Comment/Objection Reading Room. The objectors spent considerable time in discussion with the project interdisciplinary team and me, clarifying the details of points of concern and support with the draft decision. Together, over a period spanning several months, we explored potential resolutions for key points of concern. While no objections were officially withdrawn as a result of this process, my decision was influenced by the input from all objectors during the resolution process. The regional forester's responses to the objection may also be viewed from the project website, by following the link to Objection Responses.

For further information about the Lower Joseph Creek Restoration Project, contact Kris Stein, District Ranger, Wallowa Mountains Office, 201 East Second St., P.O. Box 905, Joseph, OR 97846; (541) 263-5501; or [krisstein@fs.fed.us](mailto:krisstein@fs.fed.us); OR Dea Nelson, Environmental Coordinator, Supervisor's Office, 1550 Dewey Suite A, Baker City, OR 97814, (541)-523-1216; or [dnelson09@fs.fed.us](mailto:dnelson09@fs.fed.us).

Thank you for your interest in forest management on the Wallowa-Whitman National Forest.

Sincerely,



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